

*The Importance of Being Earnest* Quotations

“I wish that you were fully forty-two, and more than usually plain for your age.” - Gwendolen

“A man who marries without knowing Bunbury has a very tedious time of it.” – Algernon

“The good ended happily, and the bad unhappily. That is what fiction means.” – Miss Prism

“In married households the champagne is rarely of a first-rate brand.” – Lane

“I’ve now realized for the first time in my life the Importance of Being Earnest.” – Jack

“None of us are perfect. I myself am peculiarly susceptible to drafts.” – Dr. Chasuble

“Ahem! Ahem! Lady Bracknell.” – Merriman

“To lose one parent...may be regarded as misfortune. To lose both looks like carelessness.” – Lady Bracknell

“They have been eating muffins. That looks like repentance.” – Cecily

“What you really are is a Bunburyist.” – Algernon

“Pardon me, you are not engaged to anyone.” – Lady Bracknell

“Do not speak slightly of the three-volume novel.” – Miss Prism

“I know perfectly well that I look quite plain after my German lesson.” – Cecily

“We are both engaged to be married to your brother Ernest, so it is a matter of some importance to us to know where your brother Ernest is at present.” – Gwendolen

“Were I fortunate enough to be Miss Prism’s pupil, I would hang upon her lips.” – Dr. Chasuble

“I don’t allow any Bunburying here.” – Jack

“I have known several Jacks, and they all, without exception, were more than usually plain.” – Gwendolen

“Both these gentlemen have expressed a desire for immediate baptism.” – Dr. Chasuble

“I deposited the manuscript in the bassinette and placed the baby in the handbag.” – Miss Prism

“I remember now that the General was called Ernest. I knew I had some particular reason for disliking the name.” – Lady Bracknell